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**FREDERICK COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 9, 2007**

ATTENDEES:

Members:

Sue M. Adams
William P. Allen, PhD
Collier Baird
Earl S. Beck, PhD
Mary S. Bevard-Cline, Rec.
Sec.
Rae Ann Butler
Harold A. Ehart, Jr., Chair
Judy Hallman, Vice Chair
Lloyd Hoover
Ona M. John Kile
Bernice Sewell
Burt Shawver
Anna Mary Snyder
Carolyn True

Excused

Alan E. Imhoff,
Alderman
Charles A. Jenkins,
Commissioner
Louise Lynch

Unexcused:

Guests:

Robert Wannemacher,
AARP
Carol Haag
Angela Dredde

- I. **Call to Order** – Hal Ehart, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.
- II. **Welcome & Introductions** – Hal Ehart welcomed all attendees and introductions/affiliations were made.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** – Rae Ann Butler requested a correction to the minutes under Commissioner Comments, page 2, item IV to state, “there are 9 nursing homes in the county with a total of 1,027 beds”, and page 4, paragraph 4, it was discussed that the Medicaid Waiver Program has a waiting list statewide. The minutes of the June 11, 2007 meeting were approved, with these revisions, on a motion by Hal Ehart and seconded by Judy Hallman. All were in favor.
- IV. **Commissioner’s Comments** – No report.
- V. **Presentation – Caregiver’s Resource Booklet** – the booklet was distributed for review. Mindy Lohman-Hinz indicated that the Community Foundation provided a grant for this project. A mailing has been completed as well as sharing this information with community agencies and caregivers. 500 booklets were printed of which 400 have been distributed. There has been positive feedback. This booklet acts as a supplement to the Blue Book in that it provides more in-depth information for caregivers.
- VI. **DVD Presentation** – “The Open Road” - DVD was shown to members. This DVD examines the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for individuals and society as 77 million baby-boomers near retirement age. Carol Haag reiterated that the “Senior Voices” survey brought forth issues regarding the quality of life. This DVD can be used as a tool to develop community discussions. There is an action guide that accompanies the DVD. By the

year 2020, the number of 60 plus year old seniors in Frederick County will grow to 59,000 or a 131% increase from the year 2,000. Many baby-boomers do not have a 401K plan and will need to continue working. These seniors will not be traveling down Rt 270 but will want to continue working in Frederick County. Carol reiterated we need to raise public awareness and what a tremendous boom this is going to mean to Frederick County. We need to educate agencies on how to use senior retirees skill sets within their business. It was noted that Minneapolis/St Paul is the #1 area of volunteerism in the nation.

VII. **Director's Report** – Carolyn True indicated the Department of Aging Area Plan would be presented to the BOCC on July 19, 2007 on their consent agenda, which is a process where everything on the agenda is approved in one motion.

- Carolyn indicated that the cookbook recipes are due by July 31, 2007. We have received 100 recipes to date. There will be a full-page ad in the Horizon section of the "Frederick News Post" on Sunday. The "Gazette" ran an article last week.
- Carolyn indicated there would be no meeting in August. The Senior Centers will provide reports at the next meeting on September 10, 2007.

VIII. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary S. Bevard-Cline,
Recording Secretary

NOTE: NO MEETING IN AUGUST.

NEXT MEETING will be September 10, 2007, 1:00 pm at the Frederick County Department of Aging, 1440 Taney Avenue, Frederick, MD. 21702. Please mark you calendars.